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SUBJ: DELTA/FLOMERCA PROBLEM

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1. FOLLOWING RECEIPT REFTEL ON COMPLAINT SUBMITTED BY DELTA AGAINST FLOMERCA WITH FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION AND SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, FOREIGN MINISTER MOLINA AND MINISTRY ADVISOR RUBIO INFORMED, ALSO OTHER PARTIES INTERESTED IN PUSHING THROUGH DRAFT MARITIME-TAX LAW. REACTION HAS BEEN CONCERN THAT DELTA HAS FINALLY SUBMITTED COMPLAINT; DESIRE THAT SOMEHOW COUNTERVAILING ACTION BY US MIGHT BE AVOIDED; AND APPARENT INTEREST IN PROMULGATION NEW LAW ON BASIS OF WHICH IT MIGHT BE CONCLUDED THAT GOG CEASING TO DISCRIMINATE.

2. EMBASSY EXPECTS HOWEVER THAT FINALIZATION AND PASSAGE OF LAW IN PRESENT OR ADJUSTED FORM WILL TAKE SOME TIME. WOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING TIME-FRAMES OF PROCESSING DELTA COMPLAINT BY FMC AND SPECIAL TRADE REPRESENTATIVE, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF FACT THAT DELTA COMPLAINT NOW HAS HIT US PRESS AND CAN BE EXPECTED TO SURFACE IN NEWSPAPERS HERE IN DUE COURSE.

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